

Wichita Retirement Systems June 26, 2012 City Council Workshop Presentation

History

- Retirement System Membership
- System Assets, Liabilities and Funded Ratios
- Employer Contribution Rates

Actuary's Presentation

- Overview of Public Fund Survey Results
- Projection Model Investment Returns
- Projection Model Alternate Plan Designs

(Established January 1, 1948)

Plan 1 - Defined Benefit Plan

Applies to:

- All employees hired or rehired before July 18, 1981
- All employees who did not elect to convert to Plan 2 prior to December 18, 1981

Basic Plan Provisions

Employee:

- Maximum Pension Benefit: 75% of Final Average Salary; attained after 30 years of service
- 3% annual increase (non-compounded)
- Vesting achieved after 7 years of service

Normal Retirement Age: Age 60; but employees can retire at any age with 30 years of service

<u>Surviving Spouse</u>: Pension Benefit equal to 50% of employee's benefit including annual increases

Employee contribution: 6.4% of salary

City contribution: Actuarially determined rate

Plan 2 – Defined Benefit Plan

Applies to:

- All employees hired on or after July 18, 1981, but prior to January 1, 1994
- All employees that elected to convert to Plan 2 prior to December 18, 1981
- All employees hired on or after January 1, 1994 that elected to switch from Plan 3 to Plan 2 after 7 years of service

Basic Plan Provisions

Employee:

- Maximum Pension Benefit: 75% of Final Average Salary; attained after 33 1/3 years of service
- 2% annual increase (non-compounded)
- Vesting achieved after 7 years of service

Normal Retirement Age: Age 62

Surviving Spouse:

Pension Benefit equal to 50% of employee's benefit including annual increases

Employee contribution: 4.7% of salary

<u>City contribution</u>: Actuarially determined rate

Plan 3 – Defined Contribution Plan

Applies to:

- All employees hired on or after January 1, 1994
- All employees hired on or after January 1, 1994 that elected to remain in Plan 3 after 7 years of service

Employee contribution: 4.7% of salary

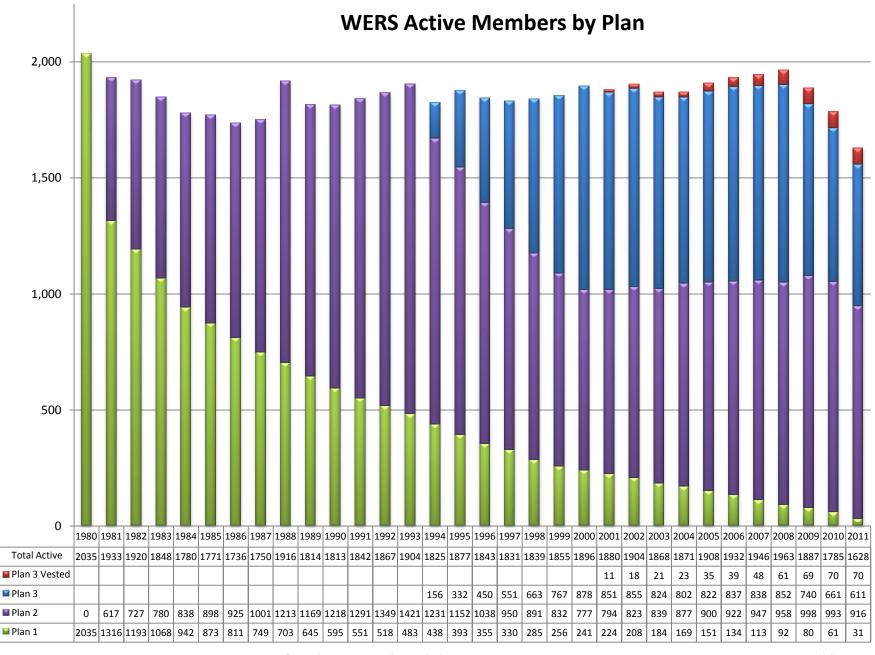
<u>City contribution</u>: 4.7% of salary

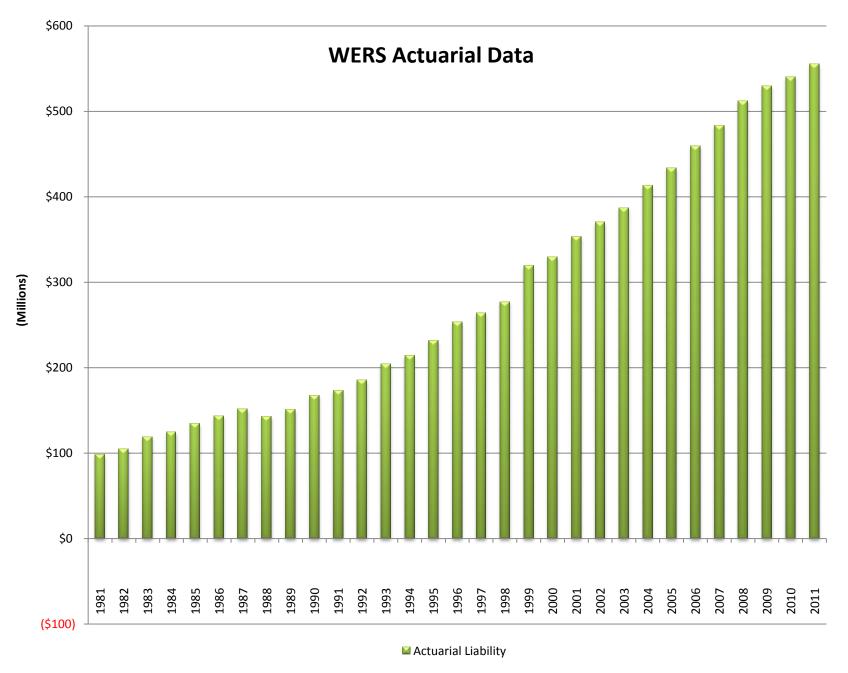
Note: Employee is always 100% vested in their contribution portion of account

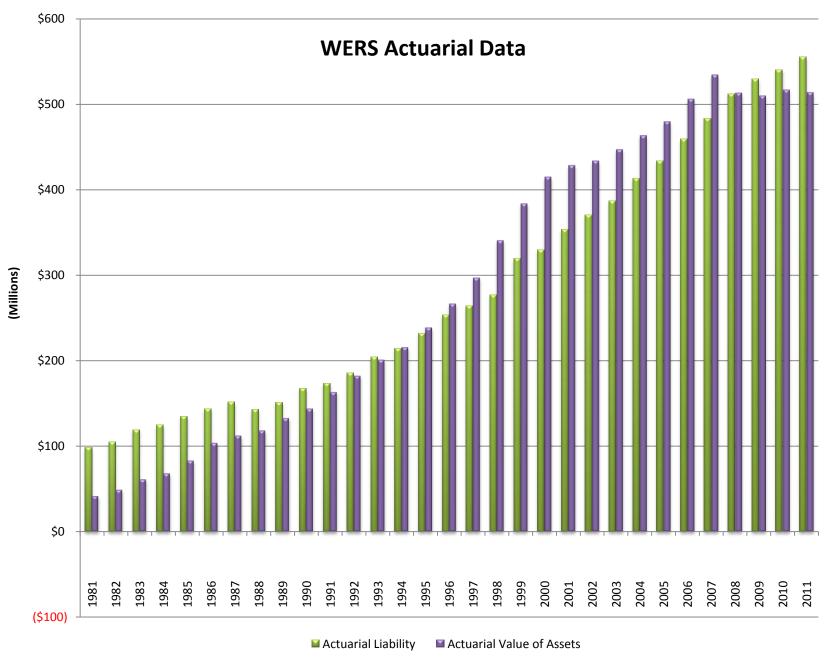
<u>Vesting Schedule for City contribution portion of account:</u>

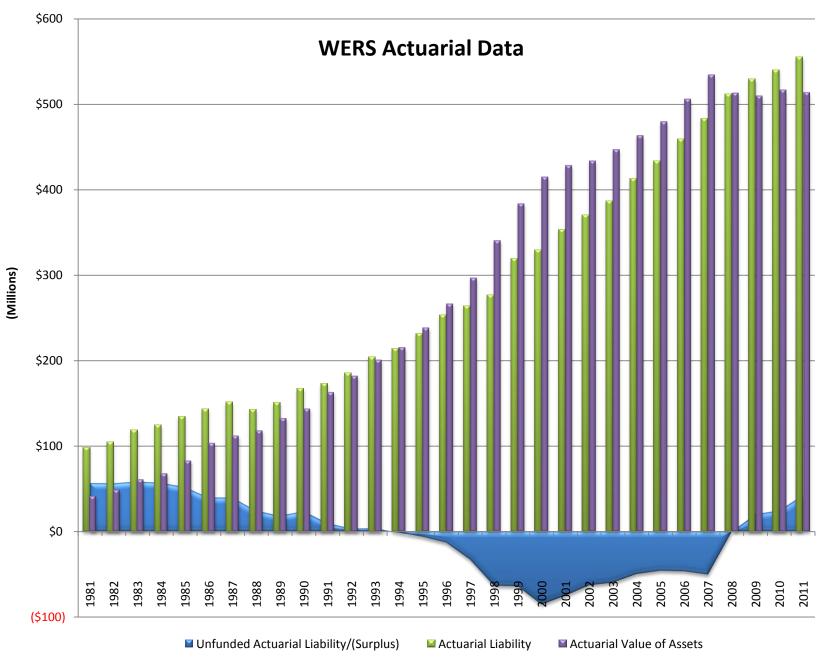
- 25% after 3 years of service
- 50% after 5 years of service
- 100% after 7 years of service

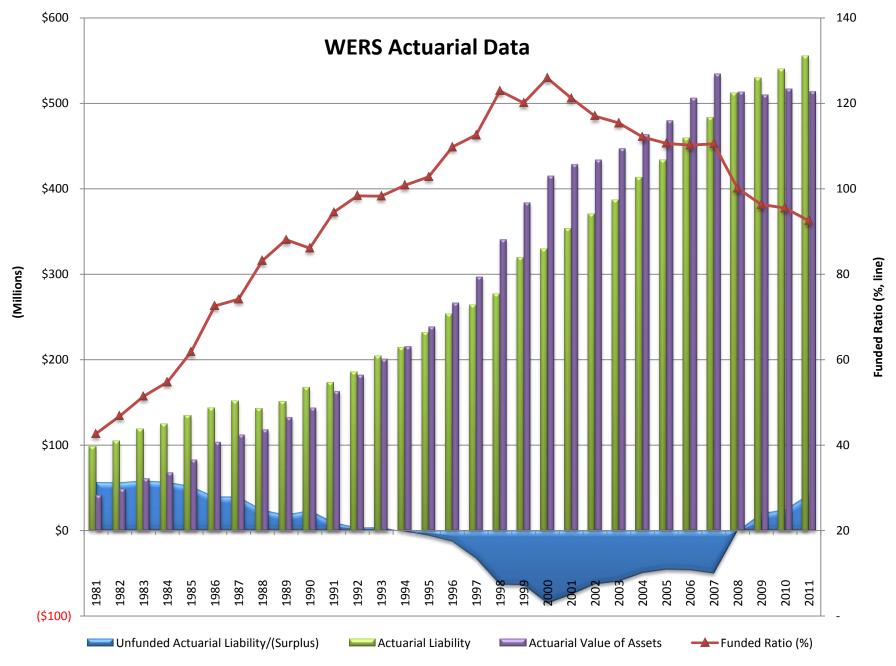
Note: At 7 years of service, member has one-time irrevocable option to switch to Plan 2 or remain in Plan 3

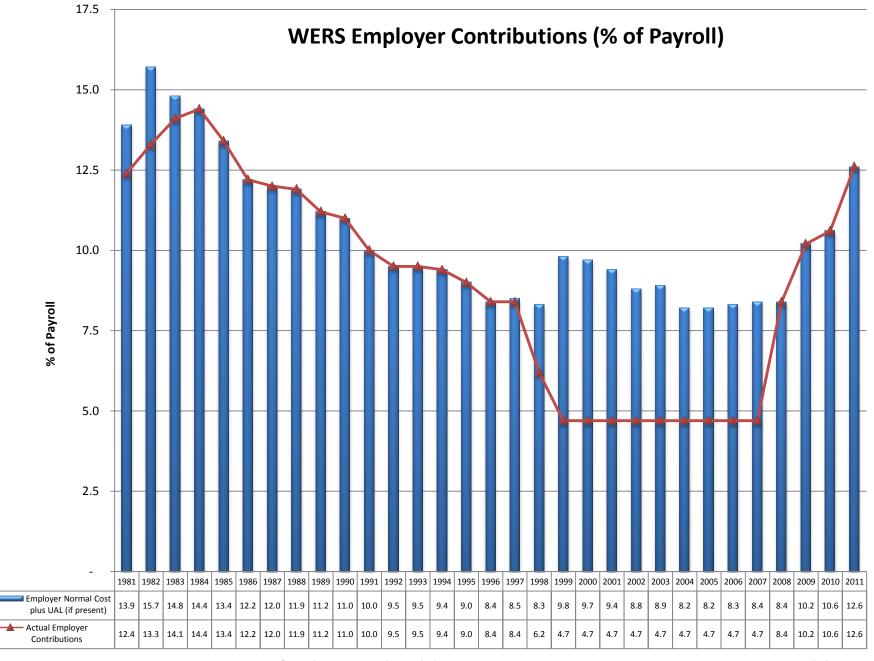












Police and Fire Retirement System

(Established January 1, 1965)

Plan A – Defined Benefit Plan

Applies to:

- All commissioned employees hired or rehired between January 1, 1965 and December 31, 1978
- All commissioned employees hired prior to January 1, 1965 that elected Plan A

Basic Plan Provisions

Employee:

- Maximum Pension Benefit: 75% of Final Average Salary; attained after 30 years of service
- 2% annual increase (non-compounded)
- Vesting achieved after 10 years of service

Normal Retirement Age: Age 50; but employees can retire at any age with 20 years of service

<u>Surviving Spouse</u>: Pension Benefit – Maximum benefit equal to 50% of employee's Final Average Salary plus annual increases

Member contribution: 8.0% of salary

<u>City contribution</u>: Actuarially determined rate

Plan B – Defined Benefit Plan

Applies to:

• All commissioned employees hired prior to January 1, 1965 that elected Plan B

Basic Plan Provisions

Employee:

- Maximum Pension Benefit equals 75% of Final Average Salary; attained after 30 years of service
- 2% annual increase (non-compounded)
- Vesting achieved after 10 years of service

Normal Retirement Age: Age 50; but employees can retire at any age with 20 years of service

<u>Surviving Spouse</u>: Pension Benefit – 50% of employee's Final Salary plus annual increases

Member contribution: 6.0% of salary

City contribution: Actuarially determined rate

Plan C – Defined Benefit Plan

Applies to:

• All commissioned employees hired or rehired on or after January 1, 1979

Basic Plan Provisions

Employee:

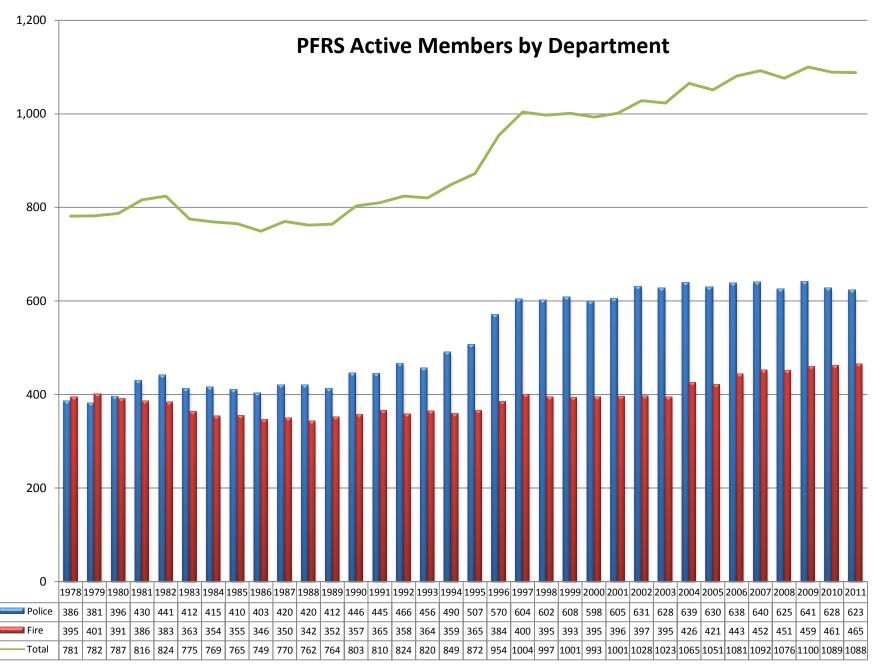
- Maximum Pension Benefit: 75% of Final Average Salary; attained after 30 years of service
- 2% annual increase (non-compounded)
- Vesting achieved after 10 years of service

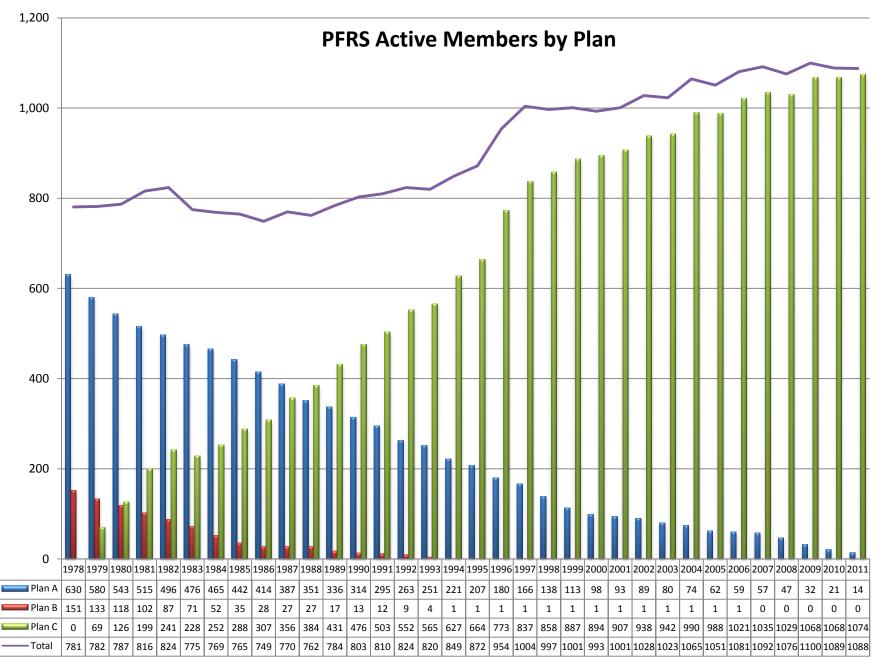
Normal Retirement Age: Age 55; but employees can retire at any age with 30 years of service or at age 50 with 20 years of service

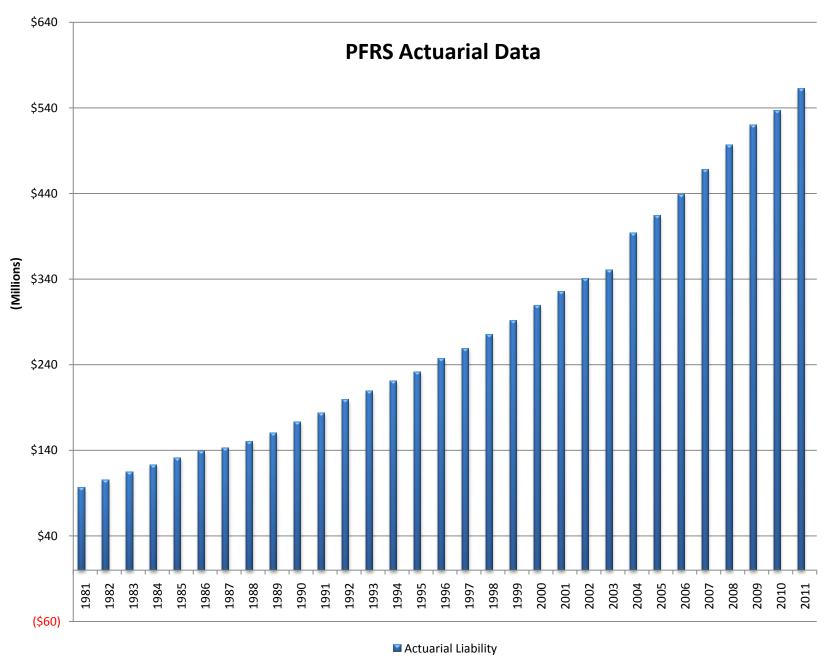
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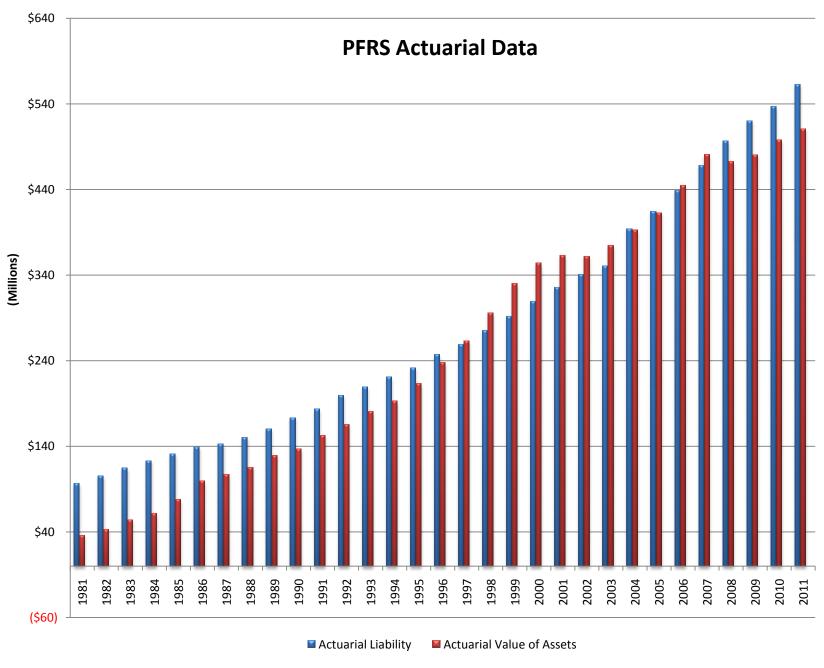
Member contribution: 7.0% of salary

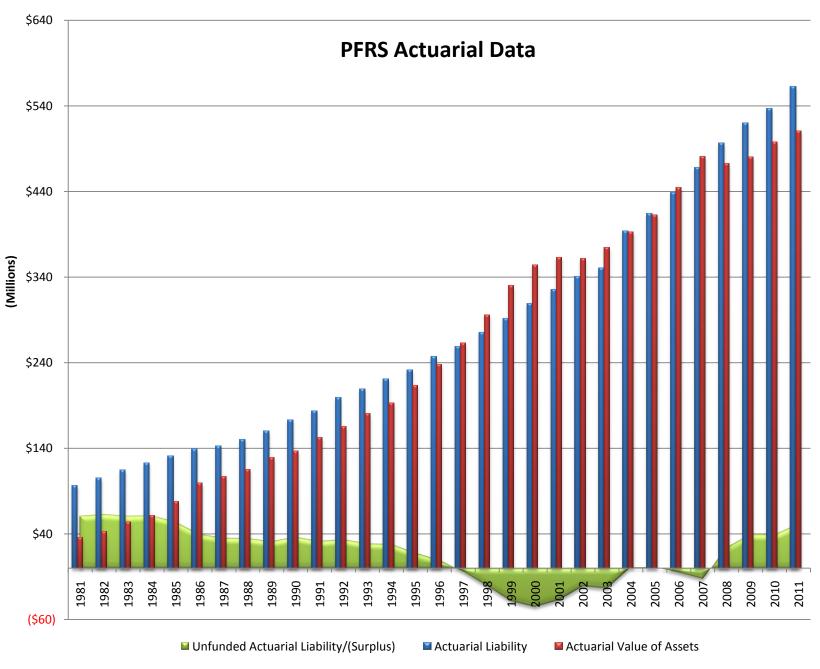
City contribution: Actuarially determined rate

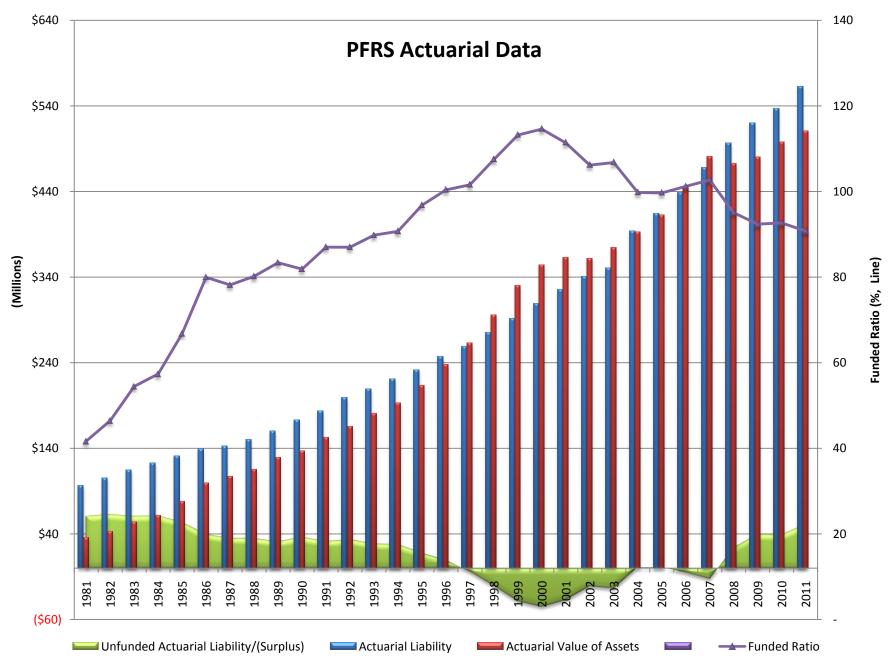


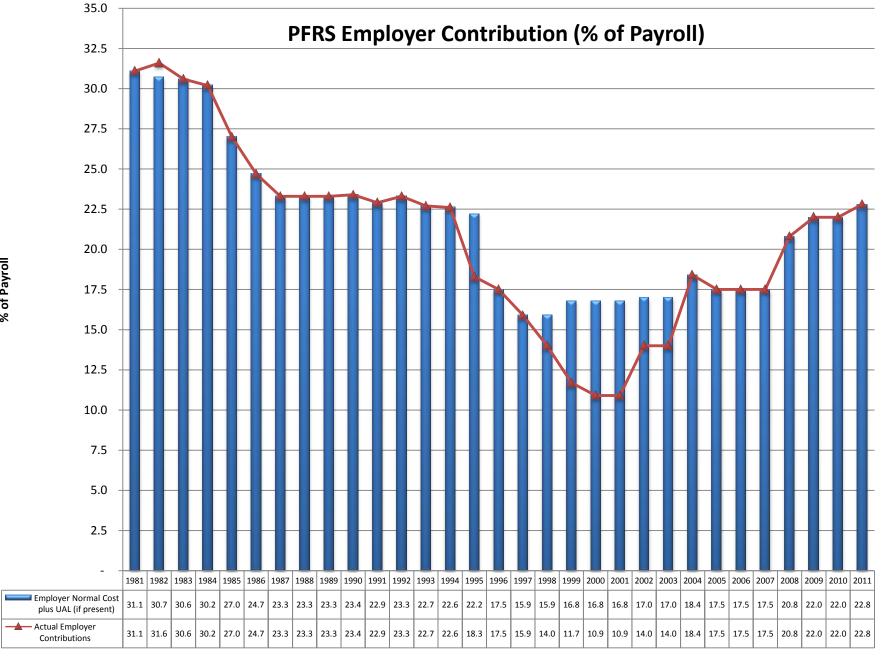












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Actuarial Valuation

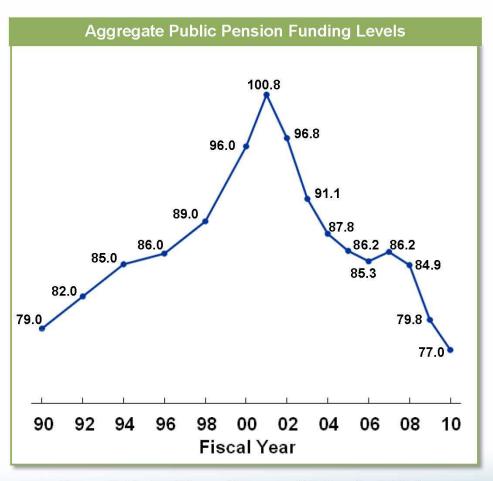
How Retirement Plans Work

- Trustees monitor this relationship over long term
- Fund Actuary provides input to Trustees via valuation process



NASRA Public Fund Survey for Fiscal Year 2010

Aggregate public pension funding levels



MEDIAN FUNDING LEVEL IS 77.3%

Wichita Retirement Systems:

- WERS 92.5%
- PFRS 90.8%

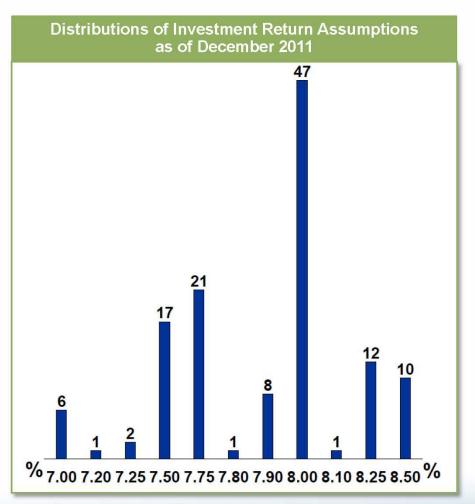
Funds in the Public Fund Survey account for about 85% of public plan assets and participants.

Source: Public Fund Survey Summary of Findings for FY 2010



NASRA Public Fund Survey for Fiscal Year 2010

Distribution of Investment Return Assumptions



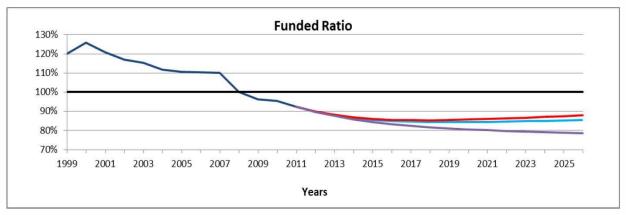
7.75% INVESTMENT RETURN ASSUMPTION FOR WICHITA RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

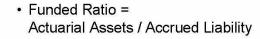
"Many plans have reduced their investment return assumption in recent years, although the median and modal assumption remains 8.0 percent."

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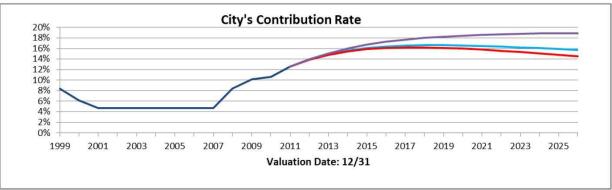


Impact of Assumed Investment Returns on Projection Results

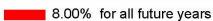




Current Plan Provisions



ASSUMED RATES OF RETURN FOR PROJECTIONS



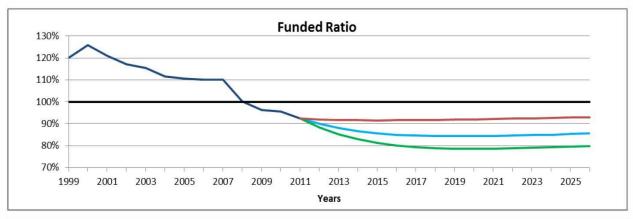


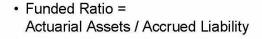
7.00% for all future years

Historical results through 12/31/2011. Projected results for 12/31/2012 and later valuations. Emerging contribution rates and funded ratios will vary from those presented to the extent that actual experience differs from that projected by the actuarial assumptions.

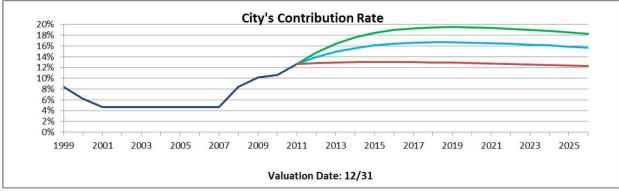


Impact of Assumed Investment Returns on Projection Results





Current Plan Provisions



ASSUMED RATES OF RETURN FOR PROJECTIONS

18% in 2012, 7.75% thereafter

7.75% for all future years

0% in 2012, 7.75% thereafter

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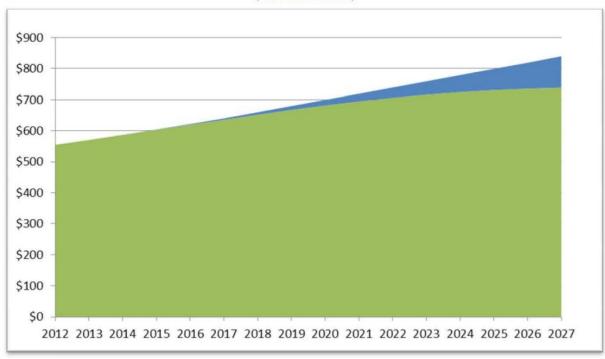


Impact of Reduced Costs for New Members



Projected Growth of Accrued Liability Over Time





KEY PROJECTION ASSUMPTIONS:

- 7.75% investment return assumption for accrued liabilities
- · Open group
- Current pension plan design continues

MANAGING ACCRUED LIABILITY THROUGH PLAN DESIGN:

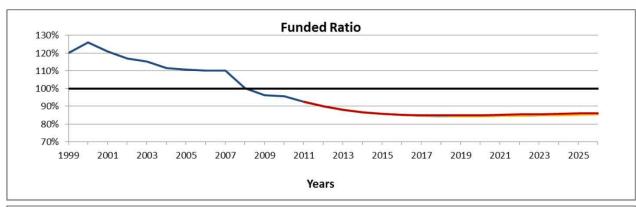
Accrued liability for members hired before 2014.

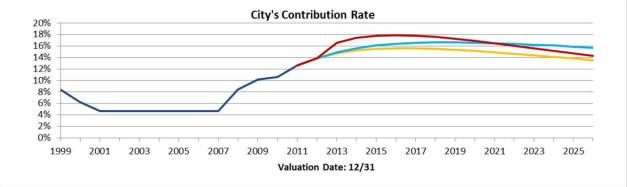
 Accrued liability for members hired after 2013.

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Impact of New Tier on Projection Results





 Over the long-term, City contributions to a defined contribution plan of 6% will reduce Employer Contribution Rate. However, in the short term, City contributions in total are higher because of a change in the way the Unfunded Accrued Liability is paid in the pension plan.

RETIREMENT BENEFIT STRUCTURE FOR MEMBERS HIRED AFTER 2013:

Current plan provisions

20% reduction in new entrant costs *

City contributes 6% of pay to defined contribution plan

* Changes in plan provisions to achieve 20% reduction would need to be determined at a later date.

Expected reduction may not be exactly 20%:

- Varies by which plan provisions changed
- Based on plan demographics

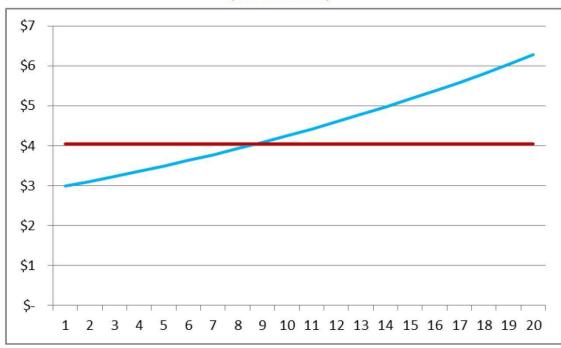
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Payment of Unfunded Accrued Liability from 12/31/2011 Actuarial Valuation

(\$ IN MILLIONS)



Payment Year

The payment of Unfunded Accrued Liability is re-determined at each actuarial valuation date. Future payments of Unfunded Actuarial Liability will vary from those presented to the extent that actual experience differs from that projected by the actuarial assumptions.

CURRENT APPROACH:

- \$41.9 M Unfunded Accrued Liability in WERS as of 12/31/2011
- City payment of this liability is calculated as a level percent of payroll over a 20 year time period
- · Key Assumptions:
 - 7.75% investment return
 - 4.00% payroll growth

CLOSED FUND APPROACH:

- City payment is calculated as a level dollar amount over 20 year time period
- Fund is "closed" in Alternative 2 where all members hired after 2013 participate in a defined contribution plan
- This approach is consistent with current accounting standards under GASB

ANNUAL DOLLAR PAYMENTS OF UNFUNDED ACCRUED LIABILITY

Current Approach

Closed Fund Approach







Wichita Retirement Systems

Available Tools to Manage Sustainability and Volatility in Pension Plans

	Plan Management Tool		
	Plan Design	Contribution Level	Investments
Sustainability	 Cost of benefits earned Costs based on expected investment return and demographics 	Always contribute cost of benefits earned	More investment earnings means less employer contributions required
Volatility	 Unfunded Liability Prospectively reduce size of liability Compensation averaging Early retirement 	 Contribute more than minimum required Fund to maintain "right" level of surplus 	Current Investments: • 70% equities, 30% fixed income • Funded Ratios at 12/31/2011 • Actuarial Market WERS 92.5% 82.6% PFRS 90.8% 81.9%

- IN A DC PLAN, VOLATILITY IS GREATLY REDUCED BECAUSE THERE IS NO UNFUNDED LIABILITY.
 - Level of City contributions determined by Wichita
 - May depend on employee behavior (e.g. 401k type match)



Comparison of Defined Benefit to Defined Contribution Plans

Feature	DB	DC
Who Bears Risks? Investment Longevity Inflation Pre-retirement Post-retirement	Employer Employer Employer Employer	Employee Employee Employee Employee
Plan Costs	Employer pay mostVariable employer	Employee/Employer share costFixed employer cost
Retirement Income	Design plan to meet objectivesCannot outlive income	No guaranteesPays more benefits upon early termination
Who Benefits the Most?	Older, longer service employeesFast trackers	Younger, shorter service employees
Investment Management	Professional Managers	Individuals manage own accountsData shows lower realized returns on individual accounts

DEFINED BENEFIT (DB)

- Plan promises to pay specified benefit at retirement
- example is 1% of final average pay for each year of service

DEFINED CONTRIBUTION (DC)

- specified contributions paid to account balance
- retirement benefit is the account balance (contributions plus investment income)
- example is 3% money purchase plan

HYBRID PLAN

- · DB or DC plan with features of both
- · example is Cash Balance plan



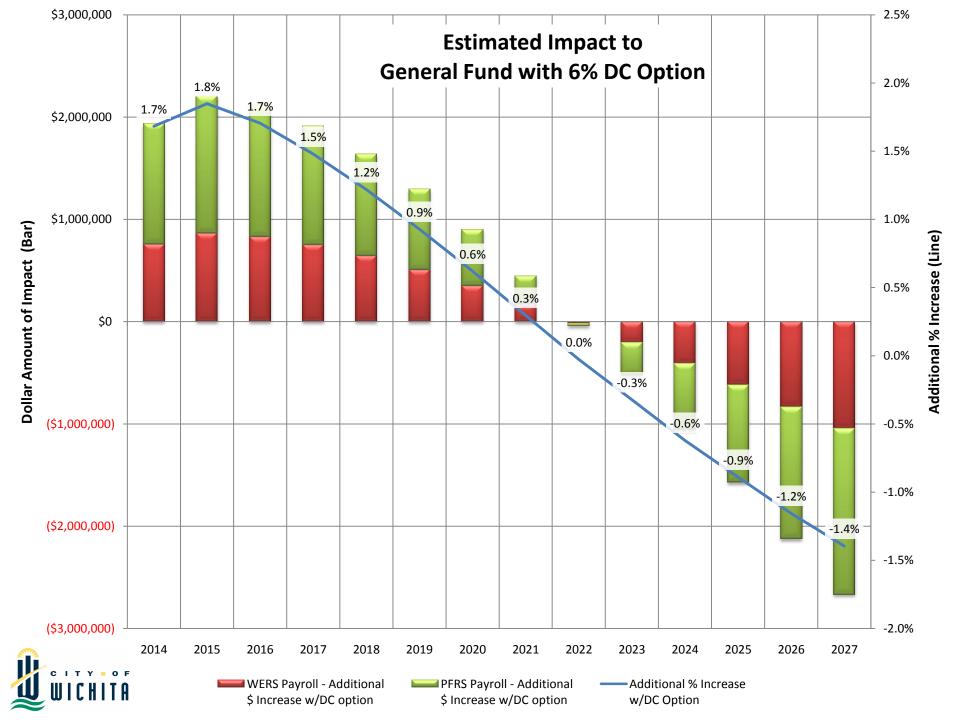
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Wichita Retirement Systems' Asset Allocation

Asset Class	Target Allocation
Domestic Equity	40%
Large Cap	32
Small Cap	8
International Equity	22
Core (EAFE)	9
Core Plus (ACWI ex-U.S.)	10
Emerging Markets	3
Fixed Income	25
Core	11
Core (Plus)	11
TIPS	3
Real Estate	5
Core	4
Value-Added	1
Timber	5
Commodities	3